

MANCHUS' FALL NEAR AMERICANS BARRED REBELS WIN SOCIETY

Abdication of Baby Ruler of China Decided; Yuan to Have Supreme Power

Fall of Manchu Dynasty Now Only a Matter of a Few Days—Deposed Regent and Fallen Premier, in Secret Conference, Draw Up Terms of Surrender.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]

HERALD BUREAU, WASHINGTON, D. C., Monday, Jan. 15, 1912.

Prince Pu-Lin is my authority for the statement that the abdication of the Emperor, Pu-yi, is a matter of a few days at the most.

Prince Chun, the deposed Regent, and Prince Ching, the erstwhile Premier, were closeted this afternoon with Yuan Shih-kai, the Premier, discussing terms.

While the conference was strictly secret, it is understood the programme provides that Yuan and the members of the Cabinet shall tender their resignations, which have already been draughted.

Yuan believes that with the Manchus eliminated he can reach an agreement with the revolutionists and prevent the splitting up of the country.

Many Manchus do not believe the abdication is impending, but the court and nobility are more concerned in saving their property than in the fate of the dynasty.

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IMPERIAL ARMY NOW NEAR SIAN-FU

PEKIN, Monday.—The Kan-su imperial army after much fighting has succeeded in pushing its way to within sixty miles of Sian-fu, the capital of Shen-si Province.

The reported massacre of 10,000 Manchus by rebels in Sien-si is confirmed.

Her Adolph Harman, who went to Tai-yuan-fu in the providence of Shan-si to rescue the women and children and children of the China Inland Mission, said today:

"The impression I got from the rebels was far from favorable. There was no respectable head and some twenty men in various kinds of uniforms had possession

FRANCE APPLAUDS HER NEW CABINET

Press and Public Commend Patriotism and Self-Sacrifice of the Ministers.

PARIS, Monday.—The readiness of such men as M. Leon Bourgeois, M. Aristide Briand, M. Thophile Delcasse and M. Alexandre Millerand to accept minor places in the Cabinet formed by Senator Raymond Poincare has caused a profound impression in France.

The fact of their acceptance of portfolios is evidence of the solidarity, self-sacrifice and patriotism of Frenchmen at a time of national need.

The press of all shades of opinion to-day comments on the strength of the new Ministry. Even the monarchist Gaulois admits that it is the greatest Cabinet formed since the foundation of the third Republic.

A distinguished parliamentarian said today: "I regard this Cabinet, which contains the best of the men of the French nation, as the test of parliamentarism. If a Cabinet composed of such men is to be overthrown on some petty issue it will be a serious change in the form of government."

Foreigners who are not familiar with France or with our form of government sometimes hastily conclude that the repeated ministerial collapses indicate the weakness of our belief in a republic. Of course, this is entirely nonsensical. What it may mean, however, is that the time has arrived when we must seek some new form of governing the Republic.

PARIS OPERA BALLET GOES ON A STRIKE

PARIS, Monday.—The ballet at the opera went on strike to-night unexpectedly as the curtain was about to rise on the ballet "Monte Vanna."

The manager apologized to the audience, which left the building. The dancers demanded the dismissal of two unpopular members of the ballet, but the directors of the opera declined to accede to the demand.

THE SEINE RECEDING, FLOOD DANGER OVER

PARIS, Monday.—The Seine, which has been rising rapidly since December 30, threatening a repetition of the great floods of two years ago, began to fall again today, and the hydrometric authorities consider that the danger of inundations is over for the present.

Joseph Conrad, the world's most famous writer of sea stories, has written especially for the NEW YORK HERALD a new novel called "Chance," which will be of peculiar interest to women. First chapters next Sunday.

AMERICAN WOMEN BARRED BY A NEW ROLE FROM COURT

Only British by Birth on Marriage Are Eligible Henceforth.

DIPLOMATIC BODY EXCEPTED, HOWEVER

Wives of Ministers Accredited to the Court of St. James Still Enjoy Privilege.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]

HERALD BUREAU, LONDON, Monday, Jan. 15, 1912.

Applications for presentations at this year's courts are so numerous that a new rule has been made by the Lord Chamberlain to the effect that women of other than British birth are not eligible unless married to British subjects or to diplomatic officials accredited to the Court of St. James.

This ruling no doubt will relieve pressure on the American Embassy, which always is overrun with applications from socially ambitious fellow countrymen and women.

DINNER IN LONDON TO CHILIAN MINISTER

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HERALD BUREAU, LONDON, Monday, Jan. 15, 1912.

Mr. William Phillips, American Chargé d'Affaires, gave a dinner to-night to the Chilean Minister and Mme. Edwards. Among those present were the Duke and Duchess of Abercorn, Sir Arthur Nicholson, the French Minister and Mme. Daeschner, Mr. J. Coleman Drayton and Miss Maya Lindsay, of Boston.

RESCUE MISSIONARIES IN SHEN-SI PROVINCE

LONDON, Monday.—A relief expedition which started from Tien-tsin late in November, under the command of Captain Sowerby, a member of the League of Frontiersmen, consisting entirely of Englishmen, has reached the city of Ho-nan and reports that all is well there, according to a despatch received here today.

The destination of the expedition is Sian-fu, in the Province of Shen-si, and the object is to rescue any foreigners who may be in the vicinity.

Captain Sowerby's relief party has brought in to the city of Ho-nan nineteen English Baptist missionaries and thirteen Swedish missionaries from Sian-fu.

MR. LABOUCHERE REPORTED DYING

Famous English Journalist Near End of Life at His Villa in Italy.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]

HERALD BUREAU, LONDON, Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1912.

A Rome despatch to the Daily Express says that Mr. Henry Labouchere is reported to be dying at his villa near Florence.

His daughter, the Marchesa Di Rudini left for his bedside from Rome. It is reported to-day that the patient's heart action is a little better, but a fatal termination of his illness is feared on account of his advanced age.

Mr. Labouchere felt keenly the death of his wife about a year ago and that of his old friend, Sir George Lewis.

SIR HERBERT TREE'S MOVE STIRS LONDON

Titled Actor Widely Criticised for Taking a Music Hall Engagement.

LONDON, Monday.—The theatrical world here is surprised at the determination of Sir Herbert Tree to begin a music hall engagement on January 21, when he will play "The Man Who Was," a dramatization of Rudyard Kipling's story.

Sir Herbert will be the first titled actor to appear on the variety stage, and it is said that his colleagues, Sir George Alexander and Sir John Hare, regard the departure as beneath his dignity. Moreover, Sir Herbert is chairman of the Theatrical Managers' Association, which his heretofore opposed the competition of the variety halls with the legitimate theatre. He in fact led the movement.

Sir Herbert justifies his change of opinion by the recent action of the Lord Chamberlain in legalizing the production of sketches at the variety halls.

It is freely predicted that Sir Herbert's colleagues will show their resentment at his action by depositing him from the chairmanship of the Theatrical Managers' Association.

BRITISH SIGNS POINT TO GENERAL ELECTION

LONDON, Monday.—Talk is reviving regarding a general election in consequence of the differences among the members of the Cabinet on woman's suffrage and the difficulties besetting the Ministers in framing a measure of home rule acceptable to the Irish nationalists.

AMERICAN OFFICER OF PERSIAN POLICE TARGET OF BULLET

Lieutenant Major Preuss Narrowly Escapes Assassination at Teheran.

MR. CAIRNS NOTIFIES FOREIGN ENVOYS

Mr. Shuster's Erstwhile Assistant Also Brings Matter to the Government's Attention.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]

TEHERAN, Monday.—Major Preuss, an American officer of the Persian gendarmerie, when riding from the barracks today was shot at, the bullet just missing him. The shot came from one of the houses close by.

No clue to the culprit has been obtained, but the Persian government and the American, British and Russian legations have been notified of the occurrence by Mr. F. E. Cairns, of the Treasury Department.

SAY AMERICANS WERE NOT MENACED

TEHERAN, Monday.—The Persian Cabinet, in its reply to the letter from F. E. Cairns protesting against the alleged threats made against him and the other Americans in the Treasury Department, maintains that it did not use threatening language in its message notifying him that Mons. Monard was to take charge of the department. The Cabinet says that the translation supplied to Mr. Cairns must have been inaccurate.

MR. SHUSTER UPHELD AT LONDON MEETING

LONDON, Monday.—A resolution, protesting against the British government's acquiescence in the Russian action in Persia was passed by acclamation at a crowded meeting in the opera house to-night called by the Persian Committee of the House of Commons.

Mr. James Ramsay MacDonald, M. P. for Leicester, the chief speaker of the evening, said that Mr. W. Morgan Shuster, the American Treasurer General of Persia, who was recently dismissed from office—the man who stood between Persia and dissolution—had been thrust out because the British Foreign Secretary, Sir Edward Grey, could be pushed, twisted, flattened or elongated, just as the Russians wished.

The Americans, said Mr. MacDonald, are beginning to ask whether all the international arbitration treaties are made between strong nationalities so that weak nations might be crushed out of existence.

STRIKE ORDER LEADS AS MINERS BALLOT

LONDON, Monday.—Out of 350,000 ballots so far cast by the miners on the question of ordering a strike on March 1, 233,000 favored the action.

It is reported that the British government is making tentative arrangements to import American coal for the navy in the event of a strike.

The conference to-day between Sir George Askwith, representing the Board of Trade, and the will owners and their operatives, which it was confidently believed would lead to a settlement of the cotton dispute in which 200,000 men are involved, was again adjourned without an agreement having been reached.

BRITISH OFFICER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Captain B. F. French, Prisoner in German Fortress, Tries to Hang Himself.

BERLIN, Monday.—Captain Bernard Frederick French, of the British Royal Marine Infantry, who was found guilty of espionage upon the German fortifications at Borkum and sentenced in December, 1910, to four years' imprisonment in a fortress, attempted to hang himself yesterday, according to a despatch from Graetz.

Captain French was condemned with Lieutenant Vivian H. Brandon, of the British navy. They were arrested at Borkum in August, 1910. Captain French is a grandson of Lord Ashton. Both men admitted at their trial that they had come to Germany to collect information which they intend to place at the disposal of the British government.

JAIL IN PRUSSIA FOR TAX DODGING

New Bill in the Diet Provides Imprisonment for Those Evading Payment.

BERLIN, Monday.—Tax dodgers in Prussia hereafter are threatened with a penitentiary term instead of a fine, according to the new Income Tax bill, which was introduced at the opening session of the Diet to-day. Another bill dealt with compulsory labor, to end the growing abuse of the pension laws by persons who refuse to work.

The liberals and radicals are now taking different courses in the re-balloting. The radicals are still planning to cooperate with the socialists against the conservatives and centrists, but the liberals, hating the socialists more than they do their old enemies the right bloc, have declared against the socialists.

ICE BREAKS WITH SKATERS.

Several Persons Plunged into the River Ems and One Drowned.

EMMEN, Monday.—The ice covering the River Ems broke to-day while many persons were skating. Several fell into the water and one was drowned.

MR. HERMANN BALZ DEAD.

STUTTGART, Monday.—Mr. Hermann Balz, who was correspondent at Washington for more than ten years of the Cologne Gazette, died here on January 12.

PORT SAID HARBOR, AFTER BIG STORMS, PERIL TO SHIPPING

Entrance and Channel Are Silted Up and Extreme Caution Is Needed.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP AGROUND IN ROADS

The Harfeur Must Discharge 600 Tons of Her Cargo Before Getting Off.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]

PORT SAID, Monday.—Owing to the recent gales the harbor entrance and the channel here are silted up and great care must be exercised in entering and leaving the harbor if draught exceeds twenty-five feet six inches.

The canal company is doing its utmost to clear the channel, and expects, if the weather remains favorable, to have a normal depth in ten days.

The British steamship Harfeur went aground in the roads east of Port Said. The crew is now lightening the ship. She must discharge six hundred tons before again attempting to get towed off.

AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER UNEASY

Count von Aehrenthal Reported to Be Anxious to Resign His Portfolio.

VIENNA, Monday.—Count von Aehrenthal, the Austro-Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs, it is positively asserted by Die Zeit, last week begged to be permitted to resign. The Emperor requested him to remain in office until March, but it is generally believed that he will insist upon his remaining until the end of the Turco-Italian war. He will then be succeeded, according to the newspaper, by Count Berchtold, at one time Ambassador at St. Petersburg.

A sensation has been caused in political circles here by some recent speeches of Baron Fuchs, the Clerical leader, who declared that Italy is arming against Austria and when the war in Tripoli is over the King of Italy must either fight Austria or go into exile.

Baron Fuchs also insisted that the intimate relations which have for so long existed between Austria and Germany are becoming weaker as the result of Austria's failure to support her ally in the Moroccan crisis. He likewise complained that Austria's relations with the Russian Empire had not been well handled.

Baron Fuchs is said to have demanded an explanation from Count von Aehrenthal of the alleged differences between Austria and Germany, but the Foreign Minister maintained silence on the subject. He was justified in expressing publicly his dissatisfaction with Count von Aehrenthal's foreign policy.

CHANCES OF PEACE IN TRIPOLI BETTER

Forthcoming Visit of German Foreign Minister to Rome Encourages Powers.

CHIASSA, Monday.—The efforts of the Powers to bring about peace between Italy and Turkey are assuming a more concrete form. Turkey's financial needs, which are the greatest lever for bringing on negotiations, are becoming daily more serious, and it is expected that some definite understanding will be reached soon.

The German Foreign Minister, Herr von Kiderlon-Waechter, is expected to reach Rome on January 20. His visit will not be accompanied by great festivities owing to the war, but King Victor Emmanuel will give a state dinner. In view of the fact that Germany is neutral, the visit of her Foreign Minister to Rome at this time is regarded as significant.

ITALIAN WAR SHIPS SWEEP RED SEA

Cruisers, Besides Destroying Turkish Vessels, Send Hail of Shells Into Camps.

ADEN, Monday.—Besides destroying or capturing all the vessels flying the Turkish flag in the Red Sea which came across, the Italian cruisers Calabria, Puglia and Piemonte, with the accompanying flotilla of destroyers, have recently bombarded several Turkish military camps.

At Lohela, about sixty miles from Kufra, they poured a hail of shells into the camp on January 5. The Turks, however, had very few casualties, and no damage was done to the houses in the town.

TURKISH SENATE AT WAR ON DEPUTIES

CONSTANTINOPLE, Monday.—An Imperial rescript was read at a secret session of the Senate to-day asking for a dissolution of the Chamber of Deputies. This action follows the defeat of the constitutional amendment bill in the Chamber several days ago and the threat of the government to dissolve the Chamber.

A Strange Roman Cafe. On the bank of the Tiber stands the Cafe Arago, little known to the outside world, but it is the headquarters of the Young Italy, and it was here that the new Italian nationalism was born. Illustrated story in the SUN-DAY NEW YORK HERALD, January 21.

Society on Ice in the Afternoon in Washington

Takes Advantage of Cold Weather to Skate on Tidal Basin—Several Dinners Given.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.]

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Monday.—The "prom" week caught its stride to-day and the Juniors and their friends were kept in a busy whirl until long after midnight.

Guests of the class are here from every State in the Union, and all declare that the teas, Germans, concerts and other events planned by "12" bids fair to outdo any ever shown by preceding classes. The visiting young ladies seem more youthful this year than heretofore and there is much more evidence of their presence in the city than on previous occasions, the streets about the campus and the center of the city being alive with the "prom" girls.

During the afternoon teas were held in the several scientific school chapels houses, and the junior and sophomore classes were entertained at the home of Mrs. Louis Stoddard and Mrs. Henry W. Farman in the galleries of the Lyceum. Mrs. Stoddard's included Mrs. W. Seward Webb; Mrs. Homer E. Sawyer, Mrs. George B. Cortelyou and Mrs. Robert L. Gerry, of New York. At the sophomore teas among the patronesses were Mrs. William Scheffelin and Mrs. Arthur Dodge, of New York.

This evening the concert by the musical clubs in Wolsey Hall was given before a large and brilliant audience. "Old grads" swayed their heads and told you that things were not as they used to be for the time was when the promenade concert marked the entry of the freshman class in Yale's social world. From points of vantage in the galleries of the Lyceum Theatre the first year men used to hurl barrels of confetti, cards, jumping jacks, toys and paper streamers, fairly burying the "prom girl" and her embarrassed escort, but at Wolsey Hall this concert have, in the language of the old timers, "degenerated into respectable, law-abiding affairs." Such was the one to-night.

Following the concert the junior German was held at Wolsey Hall, the senior German at the Hotel Taft, and the sophomore German at the Lawn Club. The promenade will take place to-morrow night.

DINNER FOR LADY HENRY.

Mrs. George Leary gave a dinner followed by dancing at her home, No. 1635 Fifth avenue, last night for Lady Henry of London. The house was decorated with white roses and yellow orchids. The dinner was for twenty, and additional guests arrived for the dancing, which was general. Supper was served after midnight.

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Arrivals at Miami. MIAMI, Fla., Monday.—Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Curtis, Miss Curtis, Mrs. Stopenhagen and Miss Stopenhagen, of Brooklyn, are at the Royal Palm for a long stay. They spent the morning driving.

Mr. and Mrs. George Winthrop Poisson and the Misses Ethel Reid and Frances Constance Poisson, of Lenox, Mass., left Miami to-day for Nassau, where they will open their home, Villa Florence. Mr. and Mrs. John Woodwell, Miss Elizabeth Woodwell and Miss Margaret T. Scully, of Pittsburg, also departed for Nassau.

Arrivals at the Royal Palm include Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lidton, of New York, who spent the summer at Narragansett Pier. Mrs. I. B. Stuart, Glen Head, L. I.; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bladon, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. White, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Savage, Miss Pauline Savage and Miss Eleanor Strickland, Bangor, Me.; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Tynes Smith, Baltimore, Md.

BAZAAR FOR SANITARIUM. Vaudeville Show Also Planned to Raise Money for Consumptives.

A bazaar and vaudeville show have been planned for Thursday afternoon, February 1, in the Waldorf-Astoria under the auspices of the Guild of the Loomis Sanitarium for Consumptives. The proceeds will be applied to the fund for the support of free beds in the annex of the sanitarium for the coming year.

Among those who will assist at the tables are Misses Richard Irwin, Frank Potter, Harry Combs, R. P. Huntington, James Sperry, Lloyd Aspinwall, George V. Stetson, J. Dymally Prince, Arthur Moulton and Joseph Freilinger, Miss E. V. Cockcroft, Misses Chappell, McAlpin, Hinton, Moulton, Townsend, Ostrander, Deland, Fowler, Hill, McKee, Page-Brown, Lovin, Ogden and Strong.

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